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Selectmen's Minutes 12-19-2005

TOWN OF ARLINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Meeting Minutes
 Monday, 12/19/05
6:00 p.m.

Present: Mr. Hurd, Chair, Mrs. Dias, Vice Chair, Mr. Greeley, Mrs. Mahon, and Ms. LaCourt.
 Also present: Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Maher, and Mrs. Sullivan.

FOR APPROVAL

Minutes of Meeting: November 28, 2005, December 5, 2005
 Mr. Greeley moved approval. SO VOTED (3-0-1)
 Mrs. Dias abstained.

Mr. Hurd requested a moment of silence in honor of the death of former Selectmen and State Senator Philibert L. Pelligrini.

Mrs. Mahon arrived at this point.

APPOINTMENTS & REAPPOINTMENTS

2. Appointment: Council on Aging
 William Carey
 (term to expire 12/19/2008)
 Mrs. Mahon moved approval. SO VOTED (5-0)
3. Reappointment: Park and Recreation Commission
 Leslie Mayer
 (term to expire 09-24-2007)
 Mrs. Dias moved approval. SO VOTED (5-0)

LICENSES & PERMITS

4. Request: Change of Manager
 Bruce Jangro to Tracy Mason, Not Your Average Joe's, 645 Mass. Ave.
 Mrs. Mahon moved approval. SO VOTED (5-0)
5. Request: License Renewals
 Automatic Amusement
 Food Vendor
 Common Victualler

Wine & Malt Beverages Only
 All Alcohol Restaurant
 All Alcohol Club
 Class I Auto Dealer
 Class II Auto Dealer
 Class II Auctioneer
 Hackney Carriage & Public Automobile/Limousine Service
 Lodging House/Inn Holder
 Public Entertainment
 Secondhand Dealer

Mr. Greeley moved approval subject to conditions set forth. SO VOTED (5-0)

Mrs. Dias referred issue of back taxes owed by some licensees to Mr. Maher and it was decided all licensees must pay owed taxes prior to new license being issued.

TRAFFIC RULES & ORDERS/OTHER BUSINESS

6. **Recommendation: Park Avenue Crosswalk**

Ed Starr, Chair, Transportation Advisory Committee

Mrs. Mahon moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Mrs. Mahon requested that Mr. Sullivan get a list from Mr. Sanchez of the anticipated thermo plastic crosswalks to be installed.

7. **Recommendation: Crosswalk/Signal: 264 Mass. Ave.**

Ed Starr, Chair, Transportation Advisory Committee

Mrs. Dias moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

8. **Request: Memorial Recognition of Viet Nam Veterans**

Steven Carlson

Mr. Greeley moved to refer to the Public Memorial Committee with the Selectmen's recommendation for strong support of the request.

SO VOTED (5-0)

9. **Approval: Board of Selectmen Goals**

(from 12/5/05 meeting)

Mr. Hurd reported to the Board that the sub-committee streamlined the original goals, that they were in no particular order, and that they are achievable.

Mr. Greeley wanted the percent numbers of 4% for the budget and 7% for health care costs added to Goal #2 as voted by the voters of Arlington on June 11th, 2005.

Mrs. Mahon wanted Recreation and Field user fee analysis added to the goals so that the Board can make a decision regarding request for increase of fees. Mr. Greeley recommended that Ms. LaCourt and Mrs. Mahon form a sub-committee to put together a policy and factors to be considered in the analysis.

Mrs. Mahon also wanted cemetery space included in the goals. She requested that this be a future agenda item between now and April. Mr. Sullivan stated he would be coming back to the Board with a proposal for the make up of the committee and a warrant article to be submitted in January.

Mr. Greeley moved to wait for approval until Mr. Sullivan comes back to the Board with the sub-committee information.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Correspondence Received

Anne M. Paulsen Letter of appreciation/congratulations Be Rec'd
 State Rep.

Jane Lyman 2005 accomplishments Be Rec'd
Comcast

John F. Maher, Esq. Comcast license renewal update Be Rec'd
Town Counsel

Mrs. Dias moved receipt of correspondence.

SO VOTED (5-0)

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Maher reported regarding the Comcast negotiations that they are presently working on a response to Comcast. He recommended that the Board approve a hearing officer to attend and report on 20-30 hours of meetings. The hearing officer is responsible for finding of facts, rulings of by-laws, and recommendations to the Board. This can be paid for by the cable funds in Town.

Ms. LaCourt moved to authorize the appointment of a hearing officer. SO VOTED (5-0)

Mrs. Mahon requested a memorandum from Mr. Maher outlining the process, the role of the Selectmen, and when the Selectmen should get involved.

Mr. Maher reported on the first Somerville preliminary screening regarding the CSO. Arlington will be submitting a motion to intervene.

Mr. Greeley announced and invited everyone to join the Selectones:

Wednesday, December 21st, Drake Village at 6:30 PM

Thursday, December 22nd, Winslow Tower at 6:30 PM

Mr. Greeley requested that the Town Manager's Contract and Term be voted based upon past meeting discussion but was on hold until a full Board was in attendance. It was decided that Mr. Maher would send a memo to the Board for a future meeting as an agenda item.

Mrs. Mahon asked Mr. Maher to speak to Cori Beckwith and the Conservation Commission regarding the cease order at the Arthur D. Little site.

Mrs. Mahon asked Mr. Maher and Mr. Sullivan if anything else was needed to do regarding a new fire service recruit who is top on the list but has been called to service. Mr. Maher and Mr. Sullivan both stated his name would be carried forward to the next list with the same score as he has now while he's fulfilling his military duty.

Ms. LaCourt requested the 5-year plan from Mr. Sullivan be a future agenda item.

Ms. LaCourt requested that a policy and procedure be developed on what is referred to the Transportation Advisory Committee for study versus what is referred to current policy.

Ms. LaCourt requested that an emergency preparedness plan be developed, documented, and distributed to the residents (possibly via. tax bills). She also requested that a budget explanation plan be prepared, treating it similar to the emergency preparedness plan.

Mr. Hurd notified the Selectmen that at a future meeting goals would be paired up with a particular Selectmen for ownership and responsibility.

ADDENDUM

1. Request: One Day All Alcohol License, 12/31/05

Retired Men's Club of Arlington

Mr. Greeley moved approval subject to conditions set forth.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Mrs. Mahon moved to adjourn at 7:02 PM.

SO VOTED (5-0)

A True Record: Attest:

Mary Ann Sullivan